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Minutes of a meeting of Wembdon Parish Council Planning meeting that was held at St Georges School Wembdon on **11th March 2013** that commenced at 9pm when the following business was transacted'

Present: Cllr D Bingham, Cllr T Thake, Cllr N Harrison and Cllr L Burge
There were 9 members of the public, and District Councillor A Bown.

"Members are reminded that the Council has a general duty to consider the following matters in the exercise of any of its functions: Equal opportunities (race gender, sexual orientation, marital status and any disability) Crime disorder and Human Rights"

285/12: There were no apologies at this meeting

286/12: To Receive any declarations of interest. There were no such declarations

287/12: Planning Applications to Consider

288/12: Application No 51/13/00002:

Erection of 6 dwellings and two one bedroom flats, carports and formation of access on Land to the north of Greigs Bungalow Downhall Drive Wembdon TA6 7RT Applicant Redcliffe Homes. The Parish Council response as it appears on the website

Application No 51/13/00002

For the attention of Mr C Gomm

The Wembdon Parish Council planning committee met last night to consider the above application. Before the meeting commenced a number of local people made representations to the planning committee all of those representations were against this proposal. The Parish Council then considered the matter with full regard to both comments made and also the planning application before them.

The decision of the Parish Council planning committee was to object to this application by Redcliffe Homes on valid planning grounds as follows.

Signature of Chairman

Huge concerns over the privacy infringement that will be caused by this development due partly to the height of the proposed houses and flats and due partly to the density of the proposals. There is a section with the policy framework of 40% of affordable housing of a development and in this case it is only 25% so the scheme fails in that important regard. There are additional concerns in this area of drainage issues and recent flooding which have resulted in properties being over whelmed by water. In addition there is a proposal on this development for a very high wall based on a timber modular which is causing substantial concerns particularly in an area subjected to existing water issues.

In Summary

The existing residents in this area are entitled to a reasonable level of privacy which this development would remove and the Parish Council would urge that this proposal does not go ahead and is referred to the planning committee where there will clearly be representatives from the local community wishing to address the meeting.

289/12 Application No 51/13/00013

Erection of Garage and Store at Harp Lodge Perry Green Wembdon
TA5 2BA Applicant Mr M Lowe.

The Parish Council supported this application on the grounds that it remained on the same footprint and it would enhance the visual appearance of the property.

There was no other business transacted

The meeting ended at 9.40pm and the next meeting on April 8th 2013 in St Georges School Wembdon at 7.30pm.